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SUBJECT: CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR NASA AIRCRAFT

1. AS PART OF CONTINUING NOAA/NASA HURRICANE STUDIES, NASA PLANS DEPLOYMENT OF NASA 712/CV-990 AIRCRAFT TO EAST AND/OR GULF COAST OF US JULY 15-OCTOBER 6, 1978. IN ORDER TO REACH, OBSERVE AND PERFORM EXPERIMENTATION WIT; HURRICANES IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO REFUEL OR OPERATE FOR SHORT PERIODS FROM SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO AND/OR BERMUDA. REQUEST AGREEMENT TO LAND AND STAGE FROM BERMUDA.

2. PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF STUDIES TO SEED AND COLLECT BACKGROUND DATA ON HURRICANES IN SUPPORT OF NOAA AND TO DEVELOP AND EVALUATE REMOTE SENSING OF HURRICANE AND HIGH UNCLASSIFIED

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SEA STATES IN SUPPORT OF NASA SEASAT SATELLITE PROGRAM.

3. INSTRUMENTATION ON BOARD INCLUDES MICROWAVE AND INFRARED RADIOMETERS; IMAGING RADARS; CLOUD AND AIR SAMPLING PROBES AND ANALYZERS; AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC CAMERAS; CLOUD SEEDER; AND WIND-DROPSONDE SYSTEM.

4. AIRCRAFT WILL BE READY FOR DEPLOYMENT O/A JULY 15.
ACTUAL DEPLOYMENT WILL TAKE PLACE WHEN NOAA HAS ALERTED THE

990 CREW THAT A HURRICANE HAS DEVELOPED. FLIGHTS, ALL OVER
INTERNATIONAL WATERS IN THE GULF OF MEXICO, THE CARRIBEAN
SEA AND THE ATLANTIC, WILL BE SCHEDULED AROUND OCCURENCE
AND LOCATION OF HURRICANE. CREW MAY RECEIIVE AS LITTLE AS
2-3 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE THAT THEY WILL BE GOING TO
BERMUDA.

5. PILOTS WILL FILE INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT PLANS.

6. AIRCRAFT IS NASA OWNED AND MAINTAINED CV-990, REGISTRY
N712NA, CALL SIGN NASA 712.

7. APPROXIMATELY 37 PEOPLE WILL ACCOMPANY THE AIRCRAFT.
ALL US CITIZENS EXCEPT MR. ALI D. ALI, IRAQI CITIZEN
WORKING UNDER A CONTRACT WITH MIT AND NASA/GODDARD SPACE
FLIGHT CENTER.

8. PLEASE OBTAIN NECESSARY CLEARANCES AND ADVISE. VANCE

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